

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Dan Lundgren  
App. No : 10/591,372  
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For : TUBULAR BONE ANCHORING ELEMENT  
Examiner : Ralph A. Lewis  
Art Unit : 3732  
Conf # : 8124

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of U.S. Application No. 10/591,372. In response to the Office Action mailed April 16, 2009, please reconsider the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 12 of this paper. New Sheets for the drawings accompany this amendment.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.